

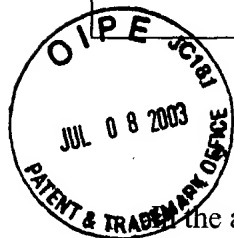
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Examiner: J. H. Roark

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents are also submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

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No. 9) mailed on May 4, 2001. Applicants would be grateful if the Examiner was able to provide Applicants with a copy of the initialed Form 1449.

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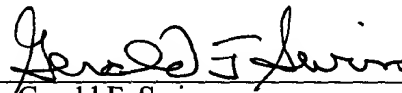
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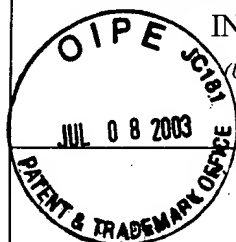
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